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LOK SABHA

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COMPLAINTS AGAINST PRIVATE AND STATE UNIVERSITIES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of private and State Universities functioning in the country at present, State-wise;

(b) the number of private and State Universities set up during the last year, State-wise;

(c) the details of the various complaints against these Universities received by the University Grants Commission (UGC); and

(d) if so, the details of the action taken by the Government on those complaints?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (Dr. SHASHI THAROOR)

(a) & (b): At present, there are 145 Private Universities and 293 State Universities in India. During the period from 1.4.2011 to 31.3.2012, 28 Private Universities and 12 State Universities were established by Acts of various State Legislatures. State wise lists of private and State universities are available at the University Grants Commission (UGC) website www.ugc.ac.in.

(c) & (d): The complaints received against these private and state universities regarding refund of fee, lack of amenities, non-refund of original certificates, discrepancies in the mark sheets, illegal process in admission, irregular grant of degrees etc. are sent by the UGC to the universities concerned for redressal of the grievances / rectifications of the defects as per the UGC Regulations and Guidelines issued from time to time. UGC has also issued UGC (Establishment of and Maintenance of Standards in Private Universities) Regulations in the year 2003 to ensure quality and standards in private universities.